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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, MARCH 1st 1909.

The very worst of the many abuses, political and financial, which batten in Peking is the system of universal vails. A high officer on appointment has to present himself before the Emperor to receive his final instructions, and pay his homage: this is all fair and proper, and in fact is a necessary formula in all properly conducted governments in the world. In Peking, practically alone now of all governments professing to civilization, the entrance to the Court is barred, unless the appointee give a heavy vail to each and every doorkeeper and servant in the mysterious "Forbidden City" that surrounds the person of the Emperor or his representative. No one knows the amount that may be expected of him till he has to run the gauntlet, and no one in the palace or out of it keeps any account of the sums thus exacted, nor of the purposes to which they are applied. It is known in a general way that they are enormous, and that the favourite at Court who has once gained the ear of the Tientsin, or one of his favourite wives or concubines, is able not only to indulge in unseemly extravagances within the Palace, but to remit outside for his private self enormous sums, such as betimes burden heavily the resources of the State. It is true enough that these irregular and oppressive vails have been from time immemorial looked upon as the privilege of the Oriental irresponsibility of rulers,—the only responsibility being presumed to rest with the commonalty. This has been the

publicly accepted rule in every Asiatic State, with the one exception, that of China. China differs here *totally* from her neighbours in that the responsibility of rulers has ever formed the foundation of her political creed, even if from want of proper upkeep the traditions have, from disuse, become betimes rusty. It is therefore by no means out of order that China has been steadily and quietly, but none the less effectively, pressing for such an alteration in present ways as shall permit of more ready intercommunication of views, between rulers and ruled, and of all the present abuses of the existing regime, the mismanagement of the finances and the false system under which Imperial administration is administered, are universally felt to be the most pressing.

It is allowed on all sides that the present style of Provincial administration is responsible for many of the worst of these abuses, and the Government of the Regency is quite justified in directing public attention to provincial shortcomings, and suggesting the necessity of central control on some well understood and fixed principle, instead of the irregular and empiric methods resorted to under momentary pressure. China of all Asiatic nations is the richest and most homogeneous, and under proper control could not fail to make her influence far-reaching in the affairs of the world at large. Owing to her financial blunderings, she for the last half century has been little better than a football kicked about from one European nation to another. Now it is characteristic of Peking, as seen in its every day dealings, that the Government, and that of the Regency is here at one with that of the late regime, is always ready to take up any stone to throw at the provincial administrations. The most recent example of this was sufficiently characteristic: the Chinese nearly as ingenious as the Irish in discovering imaginary grievances, have been recently complaining of the implied hardship, that, while they turned out bank notes quite as handsome, and as well printed as those of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank itself, that institution and other foreign banks, taking their clue therefrom, have been refusing to recognise the Chinese notes, while the Chinese found themselves compelled to accept the foreign paper money. Here was a clue that even Mr. REDMOND himself, with all his skill in discovering man's meat, might well take a hint from. Well! recently the Chambers of Commerce have been making the continued issuing of these banknotes without any apparent backing of reserve funds, a subject of complaint, as already beginning to injure the stability of the financial control, already sufficiently depressed; and drew the attention of the Ministers at Peking to the last-mentioned evils that have resulted from the recent over issue of copper coins by the various governments, Provincial and Metropolitan.

Prince KUNG, on behalf of the Government of the Regency returns a sympathetic reply, in which he feelingly acknowledges the weight of the evil, but says it was all the fault of those Provincials, and that he was preparing to issue edicts forbidding the issue except under stringent regulations. Peking has not been issuing notes itself, and so it struck him that he could safely say all this without exposing the Government to obliquity. Unfortunately the reason why Peking has not been issuing notes "payable on demand" is the very effective one that it dare not. History records two or three instances where Peking took to issuing notes payable on demand, and the notion at large has had too good reason to appreciate the promise at its full value, which was exactly nothing; so Peking notes are effectively *taboo*, as effectively as Hienfeng hundred-cash pieces which used to litter the streets of the capital, not being worth the trouble even of picking up. But, as with the issue of the now discredited ten-cash pieces of four years ago, Peking has really had much, if not most, to say to the issue of these unbacked notes. The suggestion seems at all events to have come from the Capital, and reasoning from what occurred with regard to the expensive fiasco of the ten-cash issue, we are fairly well entitled to say that Peking has already secured payment in advance for shutting its eyes.

Now one of the remarkable things about the present ministry of the Regency in Peking, is that, although it is always quite ready to fling the stone at the provinces, the hint is not permitted to escape that, after all, the suggestion has in the first instance proceeded from the entourage of the Regent. We know, for instance, that the suggestion to the province to issue the recent copper currency came directly from Peking, and was put forward as the first step in a programme of financial reform. There is every reason to believe that the privilege of issuing the coins was made a matter of open

barter between Peking and the provinces; and that Peking finding that the scheme was developing more profitably than it had at first calculated, increased its demands on the provincials, and this was the real reason why the issue went to the disastrous lengths that it did. Now, reviewing the situation as between Capital and Provinces it is, to say the least of it, remarkable that in all the paraded coming "reform" it is always the provinces, and the provincial governments that are to be reformed, while a discreet (?) silence is invariably maintained as to the reform of that Augean stable of corruption, Peking itself.

We feel ourselves all the more entitled to speak plainly on this topic that we have from the beginning, where we saw that the Government of the Regency was being unfairly attacked, added what little support was in our power to that government by pointing out the true source of these damaging reports. We, however, cannot shut our eyes to the fact, that while that Government is still reaping a dishonourable profit from the misdeeds which it is so prominent in deprecating in public, it says not one word of these reforms within, without which its whole programme of "Reform" is but an empty sound. Without the connivance, and, in many cases, the direct suggestion of the Peking, many of the worst of these abuses under which the Empire is groaning could not have come into existence; and without the removal of the slough of corruption at head quarters, cleaning out the depositories in the provinces can not be of the slightest avail. This is the part of the story that the Ministers, foreign as well as native, on the spot willfully and persistently shut their eyes to, as too unpleasant a topic to drag into the light of day; yet on its removal depends the future of the Administration, and whether or not China is to be once more thrust back to wallow in the old puddle of contempt. The fountain has been poisoned at the source, and the attempt to correct it by applying palliatives to the effluents must ever, as before, prove futile. The real want of China before any reform in the provincial administrations is possible, is to clarify the relations towards them of the Government itself, and the first step to be taken towards this is to abolish, once and for all, all personal contributions from the high officials of whatever nature, and to substitute for these regular provincial payments, duly published and accounted for. Until something like this be accomplished Imperial promises of reforms, provincial or metropolitan, are of as little store as the nicely printed bank notes which, with no backing of reserve capital, can only render the financial condition of China more hopeless than ever.

The name of Mr. Lam Tsung Fung has been added to the list of Chinese practitioners, trained in Western medical science, who are authorised to grant death certificates.

Another fatal case of plague was reported on Saturday in Kowloon City. This makes only six cases for the two months of the year. All of them, we believe, have been on the Kowloon side of the harbour.

The adherence of the Colony of Hongkong, to the commercial convention between the United Kingdom and Bulgaria, signed at Sofia on December 9th, 1905, the *Gazette* states has been notified to the Bulgarian Government.

His Excellency the Governor has given his assent, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty the King, to Ordinance No. 1 of 1909. An Ordinance further to amend The Magistrates Ordinance 1890 and to effect certain other amendments in the Criminal Law.

Sir Ewen Cameron, K.C.M.G., formerly London manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, who died on December 10, left £52,755 net. He gave £50 to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Athletic Club in London.

The cook on board *ss. Manila* was brought before the Magistrate on Saturday for being in the possession of 249 tins of prepared opium which was found by the chief officer in the cook's store room. Mr. Wool entered a conviction, but resented his decision.

It is announced in a London paper that a marriage has been arranged, and will take place in April at Shanghai, between W. Bruce Lockhart, elder son of William S. Lockhart, of Blackheath, and Phyllis Emmelle, second daughter of the late Allen W. H. Black.

Major General J. C. Dalton, Inspector-General of Royal Garrison Artillery, was expected to arrive in Singapore last week by French mail from Ceylon to carry out the artillery inspection of the Singapore Garrison. Major General Dalton proposed to leave for Hongkong last Friday.

The master of the British steamer *Hai Yang* reports the existence of groups of fishing logs, which cover an area of from one to two miles, and which form dangers to navigation, off Dodd Island in lat. 24 deg. 25 min. north, and in longitude 113 deg. 30 min. east, and off the Lam Yit Islands in latitude 25 deg. 10 min. north, and longitude 119 deg. 32 minutes east.

The *Gazette* announces that His Majesty the King has been pleased to approve the re-appointment of the Hon. Mr. Wei Yuk, C.M.G., to be an unofficial member of the Legislative Council for a further period of six years.

It has been decided by Mr. J. H. Kemp, before whom the cases were brought at the Magistracy, that the spring bagatelle tables which have become fairly numerous in the city of late come under the definition of a lottery. Nominal fines of five dollars each were imposed on the defendants.

The Flower Show attracted a number of visitors on Saturday but the number was not as large as it would have been had the weather been more favourable. An attempt to introduce fruit this year brought out two exhibits, Mr. Ho Kom Tong getting the first prize and Mr. Dorabjee the second. Those who gave prizes or contributed to the prize fund were:—H.E. Sir Frederick Lugard, H.E. Major General Broadwood, Sir Paul Chater, Mr. D. Dorabjee, Mr. J. E. Tomkins, Mr. Choa Leep Choo, Mr. Ho Kom Tong, Mr. J. Barton and Mr. Turner.

The Rev. W. Robert Mounsey who has been appointed Bishop of Borneo, is connected with the Mission College, All Hallows, Barking by the Tower. Mr. Mounsey is already well known for his zealous interest both in foreign and home missions. He was trained for the ministry at Lichfield Theological College, and was ordained deacon in 1890 by Bishop MacLagan at Lichfield (priest, 1891). After being curate of laborious Midland parishes, Mr. Mounsey went to Australia and served for five years as curate of St. James, Sydney, N.S.W. From 1901 to 1904 he was organising secretary of the New Guinea Mission. Since 1904 Mr. Mounsey has been curate of All Hallows, Barking.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge, with thanks, the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—
H.K. & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co. \$1-0
Green Island Cement Co. 50
P. & O. S. Navigation Co. 50
Siemens & Co. 50
Standard Oil Co. of New York 50
R. Shawson, Esq. 25
Bradley & Co. 25
Blackhead & Co. 25
British American Tobacco Co. 25
Brutton & Hett 25
Carmichael & Clarke 25
China Sugar Import Co. 25
Dennys & Bowley 25
Dodwell & Co. 25
Tsi Shing Paper Co. 25

The Peking correspondent of *The Times* records that the Danish expert, M. Dressing, adviser to the Chinese Imperial Telegraphs who also represented China at the recent international conference at Lisbon, conducted the negotiations that recently led to the signature of the Manchurian Telegraph agreement. During the negotiations, early in September, while he was living in the Imperial Hotel at Tokyo, M. Dressing was the victim of a sensational outrage one night. While he was asleep in bed his room was entered, he was stupefied, probably with chloroform, and all his papers were stolen consisting of a large number of confidential agreements and other documents relating to the Chinese telegraph service. The perpetrators of the outrage were never discovered, nor have the documents been recovered.

THE DIRECTORY AND CHRONICLE FOR 1909.

One of our contemporaries in Japan has remarked that the position of this work of reference in the Far East, and for that matter throughout the commercial world, is too well known to need any fresh words of commendation. While we concur in this remark we bear in mind the fact that there are constant changes in the populations of the foreign centres of trade in the Far East, and it is more especially for the newcomers that we notice at any length the issue of each succeeding volume. None are better aware than the compilers of a Directory such as this of the extensive change in population which takes place every year at the various ports. A Directory issued last year is sadly out of date this. In a Directory which embraces the whole of the foreign colonies, ports or settlements in the Far East, from Vladivostok to Netherlands India, it can readily be understood that the production of the book is no light undertaking. There are directories and descriptions of just upon fifty places in China; seventeen in Japan; ten in Korea; nine in French India-China; three in the Philippines; four in the Straits Settlement; six in the Malay States; seven in Netherlands India; two in Eastern Siberia, and in this enumeration we have not included Bangkok, Macao and Hongkong which, of course, all have their place in the book. This is the forty-seventh year that the book has been issued from the *Hongkong Daily Press* Office. The 1909 Directory comprises nearly 2,000 pages, and the weight of the complete edition is six pounds—so that in the East where the book is still sold for \$10 (the price which was paid when the equivalent of \$10 was 30/-) the purchaser receives good value for his money.

The Chronicle portion of the book, like the descriptions and lists of residents, has been brought up to date. The Agreement between Japan and the United States made at Washington on November 5th last is included. Another new feature is a full list (on pp 256-7) of the Treaty Ports of Call and places open to Foreign Trade in the Far East, showing the dates when each was nominally opened by agreement and when it was effectively opened. The new rules of H.B.M.'s Supreme Courts in China and Corea, necessitated by the amendment of the Orders in Council, also appear. Finally we must mention the fifteen useful maps and plans which are included in the complete Edition. It only remains for us to add that the book is now on sale throughout the East, and if there is an office without a copy, it is a deficiency which should be at once repaired.

TELEGRAMS.

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AN ANGLO-JAPANESE EXHIBITION.

Tokyo, February 28th.

Supplementary Estimates for two million yen have been introduced into the Diet for participation in a proposed Anglo-Japanese Exhibition to be held in London.

A GIFT FROM AMERICAN SAILORS.

Tokyo, February 21.

The crews of the American Fleet which has circumnavigated the world have subscribed a sum of two thousand dollars for the presentation of a loving cup to the Japanese Navy, through Admiral Togo, in appreciation of the courtesy shown to them during their visit to Japan.

[REUTERS SERVICE TO THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

CALIFORNIA AND ASIATIC IMMIGRATION.

LONDON, February 27th.

The Californian Senate has passed a resolution by 28 to seven in favour of the exclusion of all Asiatics from the United States.

The revival of the controversy has aroused great surprise.

WAR RUMOURS SUBSIDING.

LONDON, February 27th.

The alarms of war in the Balkans are dispersing. It is announced at the same time that Russia joins the other Powers in trying to induce Serbia to abandon her claims for territorial compensation.

AUSTRO-TURKISH AGREEMENT.

LONDON, February 27th.

The Austro-Turkish agreement has been signed and the boycott of Austrian goods has been abandoned with the result that markets have advanced.

THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE CONGO.

LONDON, February 27th.

A discussion took place in the House of Commons on the subject of the Congo, in the course of which Sir Edward Grey said that a reply was expected from Belgium in about a fortnight and this would be submitted to Parliament. If Belgium, he added, introduced a humane form of administration no country would congratulate Belgium more warmly than Britain, but Britain could not countersign a second time the system of administration which existed in the past.

THE WHEAT MARKET.

RECORD PRICES.

LONDON, February 27th.

The Chicago prices for the May crop of wheat have surpassed all records. It is reported that large spot sales have taken place in London, and that high prices have been offered for the grain of the United States.

THE TERRITORIAL ARMY.

LONDON, February 27th.

Speaking at Brighton, Mr. Haldane said that hitherto London had been indifferent but she now led in the territorial movement. The General Staff was working hard and every part of the coast was being surveyed, so that an invader would find the defenders thoroughly prepared.

BRITISH ARMY ESTIMATES.

LONDON, February 27th.

The Army Estimates for 1909-1910 amount to £27,435,000 as compared with £27,439,000.

VENEZUELAN CONSUL FOR HONGKONG.

LONDON, February 27th.

M. Deras Duly has been appointed Venezuelan Minister at Peking and Consul-General at Hongkong.

THE BALKANS.

PACIFIC ASSURANCES FROM SERBIA.

LONDON, February 27th.

Serbia has confidentially informed France, Russia and Italy of her firm resolve to do everything to maintain peace and will not take military measures, though these may be justified by Austrian preparations.

THE BNDMANN COMEDY CO.

"THE SECOND MRS. TANQUERAY."

The Bandmann Comedy Co. opened their second visit to Hongkong this season on Saturday with Mr. Pinner's powerful and dramatic problem play "The Second Mrs. Tanqueray." Notwithstanding the very inclement weather, there was a good attendance and the interpretation of the play given by the Company met with warm appreciation. This play has been constantly before the public for so many years that an outline of it in this notice is probably superfluous, though we believe this is the first time it has been presented in Hongkong. For the information of those who may not have seen it, we may briefly state that the play concerns the marriage of a lady with a past. Her husband, a widower, has a grown-up daughter in a convent, a saintly girl who is on the point of taking the veil. The second Mrs. Tanqueray is extremely anxious to break completely with her past and is keenly desirous of friendships which will assist her in the attainment of the happiness and contentment she seeks. But Society holds itself aloof. Her residence is shunned as a plague spot. To the husband's great joy his daughter resolves not to take the veil. She is introduced into the household, and Paula is delighted at the prospect of obtaining at last the companionship she earnestly desired of an innocent and saintly young woman. But Ellean in her relations with Paula proved an iceberg, and the distressed husband seized the first opportunity that presented itself of letting Ellean go to Paris with some friends to see something of the world. Ellean returns engaged, and in her joy affectionately embraces her step-mother, who is manifestly delighted with this change of feeling. Then comes an introduction of Ellean's fiancé to Paula, who is horrified, for Ellean's prospective husband is one of the men associated with Paula's past career. Mr. Tanqueray had viewed the engagement with great satisfaction, being unaware that Captain Hugh Ardale had been a former paramour of his wife. He had destroyed Paula's full confession on the eve of her marriage without reading it. Paula's conscience impels her to mention the fact to her husband who thereupon withdraws his consent. There are scenes first between the daughter and father, and then between the two women. Ellean instinctively knew that Paula had frustrated the match. She had observed the expressions of a guilty conscience when her fiancé was introduced to Paula, and she now explained that the coldness of her relations towards her had been due to instinctive knowledge that her career before marriage had not been satisfactory. The final scene follows quickly. Ellean, in breathless haste, rushes to tell her father to go at once to Paula's room—for Paula has killed herself, and Ellean is stricken with remorse for the angry altercation which had just taken place.

The title rôle was, of course, filled by Miss Florence Hamer whose remarkably realistic interpretation of the part evoked general admiration. Miss Hilda Vaughan played Ellean; Mr. Charles Vane that of Mr. Aubrey Tanqueray; Mr. Thomas Sidney that of Clayley Drumlane. Altogether the play was excellently staged.

To-night the play is of a different order. "What Happened to Jones" is one of the most amusing of modern comedies, which keeps an audience in roars of laughter from start to finish.

QUEEN MARGHERITA'S PROPOSED VISIT TO JAPAN.

Renter's Rome correspondent sent the following Message to London on January 28th:—

It reported that arrangements have been made for Queen Margherita to visit Japan next August. Her Majesty, it is said will remain three months in Japan, and will take an automobile for excursions about the country, which she wishes thoroughly to explore. Queen Margherita would be the first European crowned head to visit Japan, as the Czar went there when he was Czaritch. It is already known that the Emperor and Empress of Japan will go to the station to meet Her Majesty on her arrival, which the Empress has never done once, while the Emperor has only done so once, on the arrival of Prince Arthur of Connaught, when His Royal Highness brought the Emperor the Order of the Garter.

On February 1st the same correspondent wrote:—Nothing has been officially settled regarding the visit of Queen Margherita to Japan, but I learn that Her Majesty, according to tentative arrangements, will sail from Naples on a German liner, taking with her two automobiles, in which she hopes to make a tour from the South to the North of Japan.

Her Majesty's suite will probably include the Marquis Villamarina, Count Griccioli, and a Naval officer of high rank and the return journey, it is expected, will be made by way of the Trans-Siberian Railroad, thus giving the Queen an opportunity of visiting China. The date of departure from Italy has not yet been even approximately decided upon.

RANDOM REFLECTIONS.

How superior a man can feel when he is blaming somebody else for something left undone! Even the Chief Justice is very human, and could not resist the opportunity the other day of suggesting that the Registrar had not acted on his instructions when he did not see that the evidence was translated to the prisoners. It may be all right to "jaw" the Registrar like this, but it occurred to me that the Chief Justice himself is guilty of not following his own instructions. The conduct of the court rests with him and he should certainly see that all the legal requirements are complied with. At least that is the opinion of a layman who may be expected to take the commonsense view as against the legal view.

Dear me, what does the Inspector of Schools mean when he suggests that the children from the Peak ought to make more use of the British School in Kowloon? The school is no doubt an admirable one but surely it is too much to expect our children, precocious as they are, to become seasoned and experienced travellers at the age of ten?

Sir Frederick, how could you be so thoughtless! It is not like your usual tact to wound your friends in their own home, yet that is what, unwittingly I believe, you did the other morning when addressing children at the Kowloon British School. You advised the young people, a large proportion of whom are of Scottish birth, to qualify to become good English fathers and mothers. Isn't that just a little bit rough on our friends "ayot the Tweed"? Kowloon has been described as a piece of Scotland which has become detached, but even if that fact were not known the predominance of the Doric in the peninsula ought to have told its own tale. I feel sure His Excellency will not offend again.

I have seen a copy of the questions which masters of vessels calling at certain Japanese ports have to answer. Apparently the authorities in the northern empire place the same value upon cats as rat destroyers as ours do here, and the investigation which they conduct relating to cats on board vessels is not without its humorous aspect. For instance they ask "Whether any cats are kept and if any, the number, sex and place of birth?" All sorts of complications may arise in attempting to answer the latter question. A Persian cat, I suppose, would still be a Persian although it were born in Hongkong or on the high seas, and the French feline would presumably retain its distinguishing characteristics even if it could not claim "la belle France" as the place of its nativity. Possibly an attempt will be made to insist on birth certificates being produced in each case, though I can fancy an exception might be made in favour of the Manx cat, the absence of whose tail tells its own tale.

The next question on the sheet is "How soon are the cats?" And the habitation of the rats? The English is rather quaint, but make no mistake, we know what the inquirers are trying to elicit. I can quite imagine the cats are fairly active except perhaps after the midday meal when they probably enjoy a siesta. A dog in their midst might also have some bearing on their movements but apparently that has not entered into the calculations of the inquiring authorities, who are only concerned with cats and rats.

The Chinese in Hongkong have no luck. The innocent looking baggy-tailed table, on which one could have a mild flutter for two cents in the hope of catching a small prize, has come under the ban of the law, and a popular resort is now abolished. It is hard lines, coming so soon after the Races which had whetted the public appetite for a gamble.

The "stove pipe" which is only seen in Hongkong at weddings or royal visits is apparently growing in popular estimation in Japan. This weakness of the islanders for the western tile has moved a Japanese journal to write the following in English: "The silk hat is now an inevitable and laughter-provoking feature of a public function in this country. In joy or sorrow, at a garden party or a funeral service, on the platform of a station or the pier of a harbour, go where you will, you are sure to meet some Japanese swells strutting about with tall silk hats on their heads. It is really a sight which cannot fail to cause merriment even to the most pessimistic of men. As a rule the Japanese is of a low stature and the tall silk hat fits him very ill. Besides, the head-gear in question worn by our smart sets of all sorts and conditions. Hence on a public occasion, when these hats predominate, the sight they present is ludicrous in the extreme. Why our countrymen, who are famous for their artistic taste, should have come to adopt this ill-proportioned hat is past our comprehension. It is to be hoped that it will soon go out of fashion, as we are afraid that foreign visitors to this country will get an unfavourable and wrong impression of our people because of this objectionable head-gear. We say this in all seriousness, for a Japanese wearing a silk hat impresses the beholder as a good representation of superficial civilisation. Even in England, we learn from the *Manchester Guardian*, the silk hat is fast disappearing. From the same paper we also learn that since the Russo-Japanese war this country has been one of the best customers of English makers of the silk hat. We are almost inclined to think that the craze for the silk hat among our people is one of the attendant evils of war."

We are reminded of the happy days of boyhood with their somewhat limited finances when we read that a Dover vessel has been attempting to keep buttons out of church collections by using plates instead of lags for taking the offertories. The good man says that it had a good effect in stirring the generosity of the

congregation. Maybe. I can understand the small boy being compelled to sadly part with the copper which had been entrusted to him for the collection and discarding the buttons which hitherto enabled him to keep up appearances in church and to subsequently enjoy the succulent delights obtained from the confectioner; but I am afraid the mean man who adopted the juvenile subterfuge would be tempted to stay away from church rather than contribute to the collection in the coin of the realm. Thus the problem of non-church-going would be intensified, and where the matter would end goodness only knows. Besides, why should persons seek to make a voluntary offering partake of the nature of an obligation? If the sermon or the service is not worth a ha'penny why should a man be compelled to pay any more for it? To do so is to interfere with the liberty of the subject. It is an attempt to introduce a form of protection in a free trade country.

KULANGSU (AMOY) MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Council was held at the Board Room, on the 9th February. Present: Messrs. W. H. Wallace (Chairman), J. S. Fenwick, W. Kruse, W. Wilson, A. H. Wilson, the Health Officer and the Secretary.

The minutes of the meeting are recorded as follows:—

Mr. WALLACE—A very sad event has taken place in the community deeply affecting one of our number, and I therefore beg to move that we as a Council desire to record our sincere sympathy with our colleague in the great bereavement he has sustained. Carried unanimously.

THE COST OF THE POLICE FORCE.

Mr. Wilson desired to know whether the Members of the Finance Committee had had their attention drawn to a paragraph which appeared in a Hongkong paper of the 29th January. Certain figures were quoted, one item being \$1,652. Could the Finance Committee say what these figures represented?

Mr. WALLACE said he had seen the paragraph quoted. It was headed "Kulangsu Police." All points concerning the Police Force he fully answered at the last meeting; therefore there was nothing further for him to add under this head. He agreed with the writer of the paragraph that "comparisons are often deceiving," and not only were they deceiving, but at times absurd. In this particular comparison, the amount of \$1,652 he found was an expenditure by the subscribers to the old Kulangsu Road Fund, and appears in their accounts for 1902, or some nine months before the Island became an International Settlement, and a Municipal Council was formed, and therefore it was absurd to make such a comparison, as the duties of the two bodies, the old Road Fund Committee and the Municipal Council, their functions and the work they were called upon to perform, were of an entirely different character in many respects. If a true comparison were needed, here were the figures of the old Road Fund days, from 1893, and the figures since the creation of the Municipal Council:—

KULANGSU ROAD FUND.			
1893	Income	\$1,550.00	Expenditure \$1,320.38
1894	"	1,486.48	" 1,534.50
1895	"	1,667.60	" 1,659.12
1896	"	1,753.83	" 1,629.68
1897	"	1,778.65	" 1,786.67
1898	"	1,729.00	" 1,811.51
1899	"	1,801.75	" 1,915.29
1900	"	1,713.25	" 1,801.05
1901	"	1,716.50	" 1,559.92
1902	"	2,230.00	" 1,652.40

KULANGSU MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

1903 (From 1st May to 31st December).	Income	\$15,416.50	Expenditure	\$13,930.31
1904	Income	\$20,184.94	Expenditure	\$22,308.32
1905	"	23,229.79	"	21,349.63
1906	"	23,028.83	"	22,733.72
1907	"	24,858.80	"	20,468.23
1908	"	26,036.20	"	27,571.78

It will be seen from these tables that in 1904, our first full year as a Settlement, the Council's expenditure was \$22,308.32 against \$27,571.78 in 1908, or an increase of \$5,263.46 in five years, during two of which—1907 and 1908—some \$7,605 odd was extraordinary expenditure, being the amount expended on site for and the building of the new goal, municipal offices &c., over and above the \$20,000 raised by issue of Debentures.

THE PAVILION.

In accordance with a resolution passed at the annual meeting of ratepayers, the Secretary was directed to offer the Kulangsu Lawn Tennis and Cricket Club the ruins of the Pavilion as they are prepared to take it over, and if so, when.

REPAIRS TO A JETTY.

The Secretary reported that the Seah Loh Tow Jetty was out of repair, and the cost of repairing same will be from \$150 to \$300 according to the work decided to be done. The matter was referred to the Works Committee for their report.

LICENSING CHAIRS.

The Secretary was instructed to arrange a meeting with representatives of the Mixed Court Magistrate, to discuss the question of licensing chairs.

A NEW APPOINTMENT.

Applications for the appointment of Assistant Secretary and Superintendent of Police were read and considered.

POLICE REPORT.

The Superintendent of Police reported that the Mixed Court has been closed "under the seal" for the last fortnight, opening again on the 10th instant, and so no cases had been heard.

We begin to mourn our lost youth at various ages, says the *N.C. Daily News*. The young lady from whose school-essay this passage is taken is eleven years old. "I well remember, when I was younger, how I used to hang my stocking up and believed that a kind fairy whom we called Santa Claus would come and fill it with presents. I often think that those days formed the most enjoyable time of my life."

COMPANY MEETINGS.

THE HONGKONG ICE CO., LD.

The twenty-eighth ordinary annual meeting of shareholders in the Hongkong Ice Co., Ltd., was held at the offices of the Company, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., on Saturday afternoon, the 26th. Mr. W. J. Gresson presided, and there were also present Messrs. G. K. Haxton (manager), C. L. Maxwell (secretary), H. J. Gedge, J. Barton, C. H. Ross, E. F. Annett, W. H. Potts, L. N. Leefe, W. N. Fleming, Ho Fook and Lo Cheung Shiu.

The SECRETARY read the notice calling the meeting.

The CHAIRMAN said—Gentlemen, With your permission, I will take the report and accounts as read. The total sales of ice during the year were less than in 1907 by about 93 tons. On the other hand, earnings derived from cold storage show a satisfactory increase, and our net revenue is only some \$1500 less than for the previous year. Coolie quarters at the town property have been renewed and extended and all coolies employed at the depot are now housed on the premises. Among your assets you will notice a mortgage loan in Yokohama of \$25,000. As in the opinion of your Auditor it was somewhat doubtful if the Articles of Association permitted such an investment, the money has since the closing of the accounts been refunded, and I am pleased to say the course of exchange has enabled us to make a small profit on the transfer. Last year your Chairman referred to an arrangement made with the Hongkong Milling Co. for the purchase of their surplus supplies of ice, but as you are aware the Company is now in liquidation and the arrangement has not materialized. We had a short time ago a similar proposal from the Oriental Brewing Company, but as their product does not, in our opinion, equal ours we declined their offer. We again ask you, Gentlemen, to sanction the transfer of \$30,000 from profits to provision for contingencies, and, if this meets with your approval, we will have a sum of \$150,000 available to meet opposition. The policy of building up this fund is now simply justified, for we have not only the Oriental Brewing Company to compete with, but have also in the smaller market Macao to face competition from two small plants erected during the year. We naturally regret the necessity for fighting these enterprises, which must for a time affect our earnings, but I do not think, Gentlemen, that you need be unduly anxious as to the ultimate result. If any further information be desired I shall be pleased to afford it before proposing the adoption of the report and accounts.

No questions were asked, and the CHAIRMAN proposed the adoption of the report and accounts as presented.

Mr. GEDGE—I beg to second the motion. I have all read the report and it speaks for itself, and you have also heard the speech of General Manager. I think we can congratulate ourselves on the report which is before the meeting and upon the dividends which this Company continues to pay. There are very few companies in the Far East which pay like this. Company does, and I think we can congratulate ourselves upon the way the Company is managed by the General Managers. With these remarks I beg to second the adoption of the report and accounts.

The motion was carried unanimously.

On the motion of Mr. Ross, seconded by LEFFE, Mr. A. R. Lowe was re-appointed auditor.

The CHAIRMAN—Dividend warrants, gentlemen, can be had on application on Monday. I am much obliged to you for your attention.

HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

The twenty-fifth ordinary annual meeting of shareholders in this Company was held at the company's office, on Saturday, Mr. Robert Ross presided and there were also present: Mr. W. Noble, Messrs H. P. White, D. W. Dock (Directors), Messrs C. K. Kline, J. B. Hancock, H. C. R. Hancock, J. A. P. de la Rev. M. Longridge and Mr. L. P. Goble (secretary).

The CHAIRMAN said—Gentlemen, I enclose copies of the report and accounts laid before you, have been in your hands some time past, so they need not be read. We are able to pay our usual dividend of 10% of \$20,000 to reserve fund in spite of the fact that the price of rope has again advanced this time last year. On the other hand, I had to say that the cost of material has also come down to more reasonable figures, while the quality shows an improvement. Our actual sales have not been as large as last year, but this is only to be expected in view of such depression for shipping as we have passed through, when some of our best customers have had to lay up their ships for want of employment. We have, however, the worst and may now look forward with confidence to a better demand for our commodities such as ours. There is nothing in the accounts that calls for comment. I can see, but if any shareholder has any points to ask I shall be pleased to answer them.

There being no questions, the CHAIRMAN proposed the adoption of the report and accounts.

Mr. H. P. WHITE seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously.

On the motion of the Rev. Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. KLINE, Messrs H. P. White, D. W. Dock and Dr. J. W. Noble were re-elected as consulting committee.

On the motion of Mr. D. W. DOCK, seconded by Dr. J. W. NOBLE, Messrs H. P. White, D. W. Dock and A. O. D. Goble were re-elected as auditors.

The CHAIRMAN—That is all, gentlemen. I am much obliged to you for attendance. Dividend warrants are now

BUFFS' REGIMENTAL MEETING.

SUCCESSFUL GYM KHANA.

Very successful indeed was the gymkhana promoted by the officers of the Buffs. They received the permission of the stewards of the Jockey Club to hold the meeting on the Race Course, and as their venture was managed by capable stewards there was little doubt as to the result. Of course the weather might have been more favourable, but notwithstanding the adverse conditions there was a good gathering, which included H. E. the Governor and Miss Hemiker. The turf was not so heavy as might have been expected, and on the whole the exhibition of sport was decidedly good. The entries were much above the average at such meetings, and large fields were the order of the afternoon.

The stewards were Lieut. Colonel Bayard, D.O., Major W. A. Eaton, Major H. Findlay, Mr. H. W. Green, Mr. H. B. Potter and the Hon. P. G. Scarlett. The other officials were: Major-General R. G. Broadwood; starters, Mr. P. H. May and Mr. T. F. Hough; clerk of the scales, Mr. H. P. White; clerk of the course, Major W. A. Eaton; hon. secretary, Mr. H. W. Green.

The Buffs Band earned golden opinions by its attractive selections they rendered during the afternoon.

Results are appended:—

THE POLO SCURRY.—A sweepstake of \$5 for starters. For bona fide China Polo Ponies to be certified by the Hon. Secretary, Hongkong Polo Club. Catch weights 11st 7lbs. To be ridden by Members of the Hongkong Polo Club.—Three furlongs.

Major Findlay's Billy 11st 7lb (Com. Lyon) 1
Capt. R. Campbell-Headache's Lancaster 11st 7lb (owner) 2
Mr. D. Maxwell's Cavalier 11st 7lb (owner) 3

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Capt. G. T. Brierley's Catalan Bay 11st 7lb (owner) 0
Major Findlay's Billy 11st 7lb (owner) 0

Mr. J. Crookenden's Resolution 11st 8lb (owner) 0
Mr. C. E. G. Davidson's Breadstake 11st 7lb (owner) 0
Mr. W. B. Elwee's Kirkdale 12st (owner) 0

Major Findlay's Polo Stick 11st 11lb (Mr. Campbell) 0
Mr. Gibson Moore's Lyman 11st 8lb (Mr. Campbell) 0
Mr. S. V. Chioory 11st 8lb (Mr. Oliver) 0

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Nominated by Miss Shalton Hooper (Capt. W. D. Collinson-Morley's Kirkdale) 0
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Nominated by Mrs. Brierley (Brierley) 0
Admiral Lambton's Kamranh 12st 4lb (Mr. Heathcote) 0

Major W. A. Eaton's Game Chick 12st 11lb (Col. Bayard) 0
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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 4th to the 10th March, both days inclusive.

R. J. MACGOWAN,
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Hongkong, 24th February, 1909. [400]

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HANNAH WICKING,
the Executrix of HARRY WICKING, Deceased,
by her Attorney
MATTHEW D. STEPHENS,
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NOTICE.

THE Undersigned will close their Hongkong Branch on the 28th inst., and have APPOINTED Messrs. A. B. MOULDER & Co., their Agents in Hongkong as from 1st March, 1909.

CASTLE BROS. WOLF & SONS,
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Hongkong, 25th February, 1909. [379]

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Hongkong, 25th February, 1909. [381]

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 19th February to 4th March, both days inclusive.

By Order,
C. PEMBERTON,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1909. [335]

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTIETH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Undersigned at 12.30 p.m. on TUESDAY, the 9th March.

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JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
General Managers.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 19th February, 1909. [357]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

THE DIVIDEND DECLARED for the Half Year ending 31st December, 1908, at the rate of Two Pence Sterling together with a Bonus of Five Shillings Sterling per Share of \$125 is Payable on and after MONDAY the 22nd day of February, Current, at the Office of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 23rd February, 1909. [370]

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND of 8 Per Cent. per Share for the Six Months ending 31st December, 1908, DECLARED at Monday's Ordinary Yearly Meeting, will be payable at the rate of the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, on and after TUESDAY, the 23rd February, and Shareholders are requested to apply for Dividend Warrants at the Company's Office, Queen's Buildings, New Praya.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
THOS. I. ROSE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 23rd February, 1909. [371]

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SHEW Y. TOMES & Co.,
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Hongkong, 3rd February, 1909. [271]

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Hongkong 1st April, 1908. [48]

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Hongkong, 9th January, 1909. [715]

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Hongkong, 22nd February, 1909. [368]

FROM EUROPE.

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No Fire Insurance has been effected. HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 25th February, 1909. [385]

FROM EUROPE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"SPEZIA"
Capt. Girstenbran, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Underwriter and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before To-day.

Any Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at Consignees' risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 4th March, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 3rd March, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 25th February, 1909. [386]

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM HAMBURG, MIDDLESBROUGH, AND LONDON.

THE Steamship

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having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless instructions are given to the contrary before 9 A.M. TO-MORROW.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 25th February, 1909. [387]

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"KLEIST"
having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and West Point, Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 5th March, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 5th March, at 9.30 A.M.

All Claims must be presented on or before the 9th March, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MELCHERS & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, 26th February, 1909. [5]

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship

"SILESIA"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be landed into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent to the Office of the Underwriter before Noon on the 5th March, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 5th March, will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

SANDER, WIELER & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 26th February, 1909. [3]

LOCAL SPORT.

Results at a glance.

LEAGUE FOOTBALL.
R.A.M.C., 6 goals, B.O.C., 1.
Y.M.C.A., 1 goal, Naval Yard, 0.
FOOTBALL.
H.K.E.C., 1, Bedford, 1.
LEAGUE CRICKET.
R.E.V. Police—draw.

LEAGUE CRICKET.

ROYAL ENGINEERS V. POLICE.

Only one league match was played on Saturday, the Royal Engineers meeting the Police at Happy Valley. The match ended in a draw, the Police having two wickets to fall when time was up. Harrison's 25 was the top score for the Engineers, while for the Police O'gry contributed 31 and Edwards 30 to the total. Wallbank and Walker proved effective trundlers for the Engineers, while King took five wickets for the Police. Scores are—

ROYAL ENGINEERS.	
McGregor, c Pitt, b King	21
Fido, run out	7
Power, c O'gry, b King	17
Harris, c O'gry, b King	13
Morish, c Pitt, b King	12
Harrison, b King	25
Wallbank, b King	14
Denman, b King	13
Walker, b Edwards	8
Maloney, not out	15
Woolwich, c Edwards	7
Extras	4
Total	138

POLICE.	
Pitt, c McGregor, b Wallbank	16
O'gry, b McGregor	31
Edwards, c Denman, b Walker	39
King, b Wallbank	2
Langley, b Walker	7
Landers, b McGregor	3
Davis, run out	12
Kerr, not out	7
Total	97

Wat and Fowler did not bat.

LEAGUE FOOTBALL.

Only two matches were played on Saturday afternoon, that between the B.O.C. and the R.A.M.C. and between the Naval Yard and the Y.M.C.A. In the first the Boys lost by seven goals to one and in the latter the Saints won by one goal to nil.

NAVAL YARD V. Y.M.C.A.

This match was played on the Naval ground on Saturday at 2.30 p.m. and, notwithstanding the counter attractions, a good number of spectators turned out to witness what resulted in the tamest league match which has taken place for a long time.

The game was spoiled by the Yarders playing nine men, two of their team failing them at the last minute. This was hard lines on the Yarders, as they expected to put up a good fight for the points in this match, but it was harder on the Saints because seldom, if ever, have their forwards worked together better than they did on Saturday afternoon.

Heigh and Weaser carried the ball up only to find that when the ball was centred the inside men were all outside. The only goal of the match was scored by Loyal, who had to retire at half time. "Darney" played a good game in goal for the losers with Dalziel and Glover best. For the Saints the addition of Hamilton and Gregory made their defence impregnable, and the forwards were better than over they have been so far this season.

B.O.C. V. R.A.M.C.

Played on the Causeway Bay ground on Saturday afternoon. The Boys were without Khan, their reliable outside, and the substitute White failed to acquit himself as well as the other would have done. Probably this explains the defeat of the youngsters by so many goals, as it will be remembered, their only victory was gained at the expense of the Medicals. In the first half the Medicals scored five goals, the Boys getting a point through a free kick by Abbas. In the second half the youngsters played up well, and kept their bigger opponents from scoring more than two goals. The result was a win for the Medicals by seven goals to one.

FRIENDLY MATCHES.

H.K.F.C. V. "BEDFORD."

Those teams met on the Club's ground on Saturday afternoon at 4.30 p.m. The large number of spectators who turned out to see the match must have been very much disappointed at the display given by both teams, as never at any time did they seem to take matters seriously. Garrett and Mead turned out in colours for the Club and the contrasts were the subject of some very witty remarks round the ropes. Each team scored in the first half, Lyons for the Bedford and Williams for the Club. No further scoring took place and the game ended in a draw one goal each. Hamilton, Gregory and McCubbin turned out for their second time on Saturday afternoon, and their form in the second match says much for their staying powers.

LEAGUE FOOTBALL.

The League table to date is appended:—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
Bedford	10	9	0	1	49	2	19
R.G.A.	12	8	3	1	33	11	17
R.E.	11	6	3	2	22	8	15
Y.M.C.A.	10	6	3	1	19	10	12
Naval Naval	9	4	3	2	13	10	10
R.A.M.C.	13	3	10	0	16	37	6
B.O.C.	10	1	8	1	10	39	3
Lusitano	10	1	8	1	6	40	3

ROWING.

V.B.C. SCRATCH RACE.

The scratch race which took place at the Victoria Recreation Club on Saturday proved an interesting event, three teams entered, giving a good account of themselves and the winners just snatching first place by a narrow margin. The distance was one mile, and the three boats, *Rose*, *Thistle* and *Leek* drew up at the starting point, their crews being as follows:—

Station 1—*Thistle*: A. H. Garrett (stroke), A. Barros, No. 3, P. J. Rodrigues, No. 2, J. M. Lopes (cox). C. M. S. Alves (cox).

Station 2—*Leek*: F. Macintosh (stroke), F. L. da Rosa, No. 3, Carvalho, No. 2, A. E. Ellis (cox); W. J. Carroll (cox).

Station 3—*Rose*: F. K. Tata (stroke), J. Forbes, No. 3, Alves, No. 2, F. J. V. Jorge (cox), U. C. Galuzzi (cox).

Rose took premier position at the start, and led for the greater part of the distance, being overtaken by *Thistle* about a quarter of a mile from the post. At this stage *Leek* challenged *Thistle*, and an excellent race was witnessed, the latter boat just winning by the narrow margin of two feet, while *Rose* was well up in third place.

CROSS COUNTRY RACE.

The second Cross Country Race for the Broke Challenge Cup took place yesterday afternoon at the Cinder Track, Kowloon. Only two competitors started, these being the same as for the first race, A. E. Ellis and I. Chunyut. The day was a very unpropitious one for the race, the roads being very heavy. The track was exactly the same as on the occasion of the first race. Both competitors kept well together all the way up to about half a mile from finish when Ellis took the lead and kept it. Chunyut increased his pace but could not catch his rival. Ellis finished in grand style and won by about 50 yards.

SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Erich Georg & Co. in their weekly share list, dated 27th February, state:—During the week under review our market has ruled very strong for most shares, and a variety of stock have changed hands in fair quantities, mostly for investment purposes. The sterling demand rate of exchange on London closes at 1s. 8 1/2d., while rates on Shanghai on this date for a Bank T/T, and Tls. 75 for a three days sight Private Bill, the rate in Shanghai on this date for a three days sight Private Bill being Tls. 75. Barsilver in London is quoted 23 1/2d., and Consols 28 1/2d. The Bank of England's rate of discount is 3 per cent, and the private market rate of discount 2 1/2 per cent.

BANK SHARES.—Small lots of Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Shares sold at \$370 to \$375 and shares were wanted at \$377 1/2 ex the dividend and bonus of \$2.50, 0d. per share, at exchange of 1s. 8 1/2d. = \$26.02 1/2 per share, paid on 22nd instant. The Shanghai rate is \$900 steady, ex dividend, with an exchange of Tls. 73, while London quotes \$24. 10s. ex dividend and bonus. Nationals sold and are wanted at \$51.

MARINE INSURANCE SHARES.—Unions have been done at \$255, closing steady. China Traders are unchanged. North Chinas sold at Tls. 100 locally, while in the north Tls. 97 1/2 has been accepted, and shares were on offer at that figure. Yangtzes are up to \$192 1/2 buyers, in sympathy with a Shanghai quotation of \$200 with an exchange of Tls. 73. A few Cants have been taken off the market at \$187 1/2.

FIRE INSURANCE SHARES.—H.K.ongs sold at \$330, closing firm, with no seller. Apparently under \$332 1/2. Chinas have been done at \$106, and further shares are wanted.

SHIPPING SHARES.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat shares changed ownership in fair quantities at \$29, and more shares can be placed. Indo-Chinas, after improving to buyers at \$59, close with buyers at \$58; some fair business has been transacted during the week under Shanghai's orders, but the rates have not been made public. Shanghai's closing quotation is Tls. 48 sellers, and London quotes \$3. 10s. for preferred, and \$1. 15s. for deferred shares. China and Manilas, Douglases, as well as Star Ferries, are unchanged, but without sales. Shell Transports have buyers at 51s, London quoting sellers at 52s. 6d. Union Waterboats sold and continue in request at \$10.

EXPRESS.—China Sugars have advanced to \$135 buyers, after sales at \$130 to \$135. Luzons are neglected at \$17.

MINING SHARES.—Charbonnages are unaltered. Rauba are easier with small lots offering at \$83. Chinese Engineering and Mining Company's shares have improved in the north to Tls. 18 1/2.

DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, &c.—Hongkong and Wharves—Dock Company's shares changed hands at \$37 1/2 and \$38 per share, ex the dividend of \$4 per share paid on 23rd instant, and sellers at the higher figure. Geo. Fenwick's, as well as New Amoy Dock shares are unchanged. Shanghai Docks sold locally at Tls. 80 to Tls. 84, and have buyers at the latter figure which is also the Shanghai rate. Hongkong and Kowloon Wharves sold and are wanted at \$47. Shanghai and Hongkong Wharves have advanced in the north at Tls. 172 1/2 buyers; we hear that a final dividend of Tls. 6 per share will be declared.

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—Hongkong Lands have been done at \$94, and more shares can be placed, possibly at a slightly higher rate. Kowloon Lands are quiet at \$30, and West Point are rather weak at \$44. Hongkong Hotels sold at \$90. Humphreys' Estates, est. sales at \$8.65 and \$8.8, are firm at latter rate. Shanghai Lands are quoted Tls. 115.

COTTON MILLS.—All Shanghai Mills are up. Ewos have buyers at Tls. 105. Internationals sellers at Tls. 80 and Loan Kang Mows buyers.

At Tls. 88. Soybeans are nominal at Tls. 300. Hongkong Cottons sold at \$9 1/2 and \$9, and are on offer at the higher figure.

SUNDRY MANUFACTURING COMPANIES.—China Light and Powers have been done at \$43 and \$45, and are steady at \$45. Hongkong Electric have been fixed at \$183, and more shares are required for Bell's Asbestos fetched \$10. Daily Farms sold at \$14, at which figure there are further buyers. Green Island Cements sold in fair quantities at \$9.60 to \$9.50; at the lower rate there are buyers, while at the higher figure shares can be procured. In other stocks under this heading nothing has been done and rates are unchanged.

MISCELLANEOUS.—China-Bornos sold to some extent at \$11 1/2, and buyers rule the market. China Providents have been done at \$9.20 and \$9.25 and there are further buyers at \$9.20. Langkats have advanced in the north again to Tls. \$30, at which rate sellers prevail. A. S. Watsons changed hands at \$9 1/2 and \$9, and there are further buyers at \$9 1/2. Wm. Powells changed hands at \$3 and \$2 1/2, closing with enquiries at the lower figure. There is no change to report in other stocks under this heading.

The N.Y.K. str. *Asa Maru* (European Line) left Shanghai on the 26th ult., and is expected here to-day.

The N.Y.K. str. *Mayori Maru* (Bombay Line) left Moji on the 25th ult., and is expected here to-morrow.

The H.A. Linie str. *Constantia* left Shanghai on the 27th ult., and may be expected here to-morrow a.m.

The C. & M. str. *Rubi* left Manila on the 27th ult. afternoon, and is due here to-morrow at daylight.

The Swedish str. *Yeddo* left Shanghai on the 27th ultimo morning, and may be expected here to-morrow afternoon.

The P. & O. str. *Macedonia* left Singapore on the 27th ultimo at 11 a.m. with the outward English mails, and is due here on the 4th inst. at about 9 a.m.

The N.Y.K. str. *Kanaka Maru* (European Line) left Singapore on the 26th ult., and is expected here on the 4th inst.

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

ANDALUSIA, German str., 5432, F. Block, 28th Feb.—Shanghai 24th Feb. General—Hamburg-Amerika Linie.

BARON D'ALMEIDA, British str., 2503, Hey, 28th Feb.—Cardiff 9th Jan. Patent Fuel—British Government.

CARE DREIBERGER, German str., 774, J. Kayser, 27th Feb.—Haiphong and Hoihow, 26th February, General—Jensen & Co.

CEYLON MARU, Japanese str., 3142, H. L. Pyno, Feb.—Bombay via Singapore 12th Feb. General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

CHITTO MARU, Japanese str., 13426, W. W. Green, 28th Feb.—San Francisco 30th Jan. General—Toyo Kisen Kaisha.

ERROLL, British str., 2889, L. James, 28th February—Bangkok 21st Feb. Ballast—Doddwell & Co.

FOOCHOW, British str., 1223, Vincent, 28th Feb.—Chinking 23rd February, General—Butterfield & Swire.

ENANG, British str., 1127, Thomas, 28th Feb.—Chinking 23rd Feb. General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

ITALIAN, French str., 377, O. A. Hoeg, 28th Feb.—Pukhoo via Hoihow 26th February, General and Pige—A. R. Marty.

HATTAN, British str., 1183, J. S. Roach, 23rd Feb.—watu 27th February, General—Douglas, Laing & Co.

HAITIAN, Norwegian str., 1066, R. Ronneberg, 26th February—Haiphong 24th February, General—Angard, Thorsen & Co.

KWONGSANG, British str., 1428, W. P. Baker, 27th Feb.—Shanghai & Swatow 23rd Feb. General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

MEIPOO, Chinese str., 1339, P. McArthur, 27th Feb.—Shanghai 23rd Feb. General—C. M. S. N. Co.

PING-UEY, British str., 4150, J. Barber, 28th Feb.—Liverpool via ports 23rd January, General—Butterfield & Swire.

SHAKESPEARE, German str., 1000, Goswisch, 27th February—Bangkok 19th February, Rice and Wood—Butterfield & Swire.

TAJNAT, German str., 1002, Brickner, 28th Feb.—Bangkok 18th and Swatow 27th Feb. General—Butterfield & Swire.

WINGHANG, British str., 1517, D. A. King, 28th Feb.—Chinaitiao 20th and Cingoo 22nd Feb. Coal—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

YERIMO MARU, Japanese str., 2531, Kabayashi, 28th Feb.—Kuchikino 23rd Feb. Coal—Osaka Senjiku Kaisha.

DEPARTURES.

27th February.

AMIGO, German str., for Haiphong.

DEWATONSK, German str., for Amoy.

FOUCHING, British str., for Canton.

FUKUKA MARU, Japanese str., for Wakatsuki.

GRYFFVALE, British str., for Newcastle.

HAICHING, British str., for Amoy.

HEIMDAL, Norwegian str., for Canton.

KLEIST, German str., for Shanghai.

MANILA, German str., for Manila.

PINAKULOK, German str., for Swatow.

SILBERIA, Austrian str., for Singapore.

SPEZIA, German str., for Shanghai.

ZAFIRO, British str., for Manila.

28th February.

CHENAN, British str., for Shanghai.

CHUSHING, British str., for Tientsin.

FUKU MARU, Japanese str., for Moji.

GLENNALLOCH, British str., for Amoy.

HATTAN, British str., for Swatow.

JILYRIA, German str., for Shanghai.

JORDEN MARU, Japanese str., for Swatow.

LAERTEN, British str., for Saigon.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. *Ping Sueg* reports: Light Easterly winds and fine clear weather.

The British str. *Enang* reports: Moderate Northerly to fresh, N.E. wind and rain.

The British str. *Kwongsang* reports: Mod. N.E. wind and sea covered rainy weather.

The British str. *Fouching* reports: Experienced light to fresh winds and moderate seas.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

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Hongkong, 27th February, 1909. [333]

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Hongkong, 25th February, 1909. [1712]

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Hongkong, 24th February, 1909. [378]

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LONDON &c. via RUSSAL PORTS OF CALL...	DELTA	Brit. str.	—	B. W. H. Snow	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 6th inst., at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, &c.	NORSE	Brit. str.	—	G. Phillips	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 10th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP	FLINTSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD.	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD.	About 26th inst.
BREMEN & HAMBURG via STRAITS, &c.	ANDALUSIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Hesse	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 9th inst.
ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG via STRAITS, &c.	WESTPHALIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Babst	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 22nd inst.
ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG via STRAITS, &c.	DOERMUND	Ger. str.	k. w.	Kotsta	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 13th inst.
HARVE & HAMBURG via STRAITS, &c.	SAKONIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Habel	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 5th April.
HARVE & HAMBURG via STRAITS, &c.	JILYRIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Habel	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 3rd inst.
MARSEILLES & HAMBURG via STRAITS, &c.	COLOSANTIA	Ger. str.	—	Maguen	MESSEGERIES MARITIMES	To-morrow, at 1 p.m.
MARSEILLES, &c. via PORTS OF CALL...	ATA MARU	Jap. str.	—	A. Keith	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 3rd inst., at D'light.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, &c.	TAMBA MARU	Jap. str.	—	C. H. Butler	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th inst., at D'light.
GENOA, MARSEILLES, LONDON, & ANTWERP, &c.	ATSUTA MARU	Jap. str.	—	W. Thompson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 7th April.
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERS, GIBRALTAR, &c.	PRINCESS ALICE	Ger. str.	—	P. Grosch	MELCHERS & Co.	On 18th inst., at Noon.
NEW YORK	ALBENGA	Ital. str.	—	Lorenson	CARLOWITZ & Co.	On 11th inst.
BOSTON & NEW YORK	GHAESE	Brit. str.	—	—	—	—
VANCOUVER via SHANGHAI JAPAN, &c.	MONTAGLE	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	—	To-morrow, at Noon.
VANCOUVER via SHANGHAI JAPAN, &c.	EMPEROR OF INDIA	Brit. str.	2 m.	—	—	On 13th inst., at 7 A.M.
VICTORIA, B.C., & TACOMA via JAPAN, &c.	GYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	J. O. A. Hall	DODWELL & Co., Ltd.	On 11th inst.
VICTORIA, B.C., & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, &c.	KACA MARU	Jap. str.	—	M. Hagino	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-morrow, at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS via PORT DARWIN, &c.	TOKA MARU	Jap. str.	—	T. Harrison	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 18th inst., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS via MANILA	ALDENHAM	Brit. str.	—	St. John George	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.	On 4th inst., at 5 p.m.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS via MANILA	NIKKO MARU	Jap. str.	—	N. Yagi	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 19th inst., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS via MANILA	PRINZ WALDEMAR	Ger. str.	—	Iseki	MELCHERS & Co.	On 23rd inst., at 5 p.m.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS via MANILA	KUMANO MARU	Jap. str.	—	N. Mathieson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 18th April, at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS via MANILA	CHANGSHA	Brit. str.	1 m.	G. W. Eidy	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 8th April, at 4 p.m.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	PRINZ WALDEMAR	Ger. str.	—	P. Isaki	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	About 5th inst.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KAMAKURA MARU	Jap. str.	—	N. Mathieson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 6th inst., at D'light.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KUMANO MARU	Jap. str.	—	Wm. Wide	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th inst., at Noon.
JAPAN	TUJIWONG	Brit. str.	—	Jurriance	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch.
TIENTSIN via SWATOW	CHONGKING	Brit. str.	—	V. McClymont-Liddell	JARDINE, MATHESON, & Co., LD.	To-morrow, at Noon.
NEWCHANG	NANCHANG	Brit. str.	—	Kessio	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, at D'light.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	NERA	Freestr.	—	Martin	MESSEGERIES MARITIMES	On 3rd inst., at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI, CHEWANTAO, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	PALMA	Brit. str.	—	G. W. Cookman, R.N.E.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 1st inst.
SHANGHAI MOJI & KOBE	OSATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	Fred. Pyne	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-morrow.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	KUTSANG	Brit. str.	—	Bradley	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD.	To-morrow, at Noon.
SHANGHAI	CHONGH MARU	Jap. str.	—	T. Suraga	OSAKA SHIPEN KAISHA	To-morrow, at D'light.
SHANGHAI	KWONGSANG	Brit. str.	1 m.	P. W. Wheeler	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD.	On 3rd inst., at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	LIWAN	Brit. str.	—	Williams	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 4th inst., at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	MAEDONIA	Brit. str.	—	C. D. Bennett	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 5th inst.
SHANGHAI	TINGBANG	Ger. str.	k. w.	Deinat	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD.	On 4th inst., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	AMERIA	Brit. str.	1 m.	F. v. Binzer	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 10th inst.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	PRINZ LUDWIG	Ger. str.	k. w.	Schwinghammer	MELCHERS & Co.	About 12th inst.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	BRIGAVIA	Ger. str.	—	P. J. van Emmerick	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 20th inst.
SHANGHAI	TUJIWONG	Brit. str.	—	Iseki	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch.
SHANGHAI	SHOBU MARU	Jap. str.	—	de Brouwers	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	On 3rd inst., at 8 a.m.
SWATOW	HAITAN	Brit. str.	2 h.	J. S. Roach	DOUGLAS LAFRAIR & Co.	Quick despatch.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	HAITAN	Brit. str.	—	P. H. Rolfe	DOUGLAS LAFRAIR & Co.	To-morrow, at Noon.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	YUNNANG	Brit. str.	1 m.	A. Somerville	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD.	On 5th inst., at Noon.
MANILA	TAMING	Brit. str.	—	K. W. Almond	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 6th inst., at Noon.
MANILA	RUH	Brit. str.	1 m.	A. W. Outerbridge	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 10th inst., at 3 p.m.
MANILA	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	—	R. Rodger	SHAW, TOMES & Co.	On 13th inst., at Noon.
MANILA	KAIPONG	Brit. str.	1 m.	Mathias	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at Noon.
CERU & ILOILO	BORNO	Ger. str.	—	F. Sembl	MELCHERS & Co.	On 4th inst., at 9 a.m.
KUDAT & SANDAKAN	MOTORI MARU	Jap. str.	—	J. C. Richards	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 4th inst.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	NAMSANG	Brit. str.	—	M. B. Lake	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD.	On 18th inst., at Noon.
SAMARANG & SOERABAYA	SHANTUNG	Brit. str.	1 m.	J. Robinson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 4 p.m.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. BREMEN IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINES.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
KUDAT & SANDAKAN ...	"BORNEO" Capt. F. SEMBELL	Thursday, 4th Mar., at 9 A.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE ...	"PRINZ WALDEMAR" Capt. ISEKI	About Friday, 5th March
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERS, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP & BREMEN ...	"PRINCESS ALICE" Capt. P. GROSCH	Wednesday, 10th Mar., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA ...	"PRINZ LUDWIG" Capt. F. v. BINZER	About Friday, 12th March.
MANILA, Y.A.P., NEWGUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE ...	"PRINZ WALDEMAR" Capt. ISEKI	Thursday, 25th March, at 5 P.M.

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Hongkong, 1st March, 1909.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR VICTORIA, B.C., SEATTLE & TACOMA VIA MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamer.	Tons.	Captain.	Sailing Date.
GYMERIC	4,002	J. C. A. Hall	On 11th March.
KUMERIC	6,232	F. S. Cowley	On 8th April.
INVERIC	4,789	R. J. Howie	On 6th May.
SUVERIC	6,232	W. Shotton	On 3rd June.

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FRENCH MAIL LINES.

FORTNIGHTLY SERVICE TO AND FROM EUROPE VIA SUEZ CANAL.

FORTNIGHTLY SERVICE TO AND FROM JAPAN VIA SHANGHAI.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA ...	"NERA" Capt. Martin	About 1st March.
MARSEILLES via PORTS ...	"SALAZIE" Capt. Magnien	On 2nd March, 1 P.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA ...	"CALEDONIE" Capt. X.	On 15th March, P.M.
MARSEILLES via PORTS ...	"TOURANE" Capt. Lancelin	On 16th March, 1 P.M.

Transhipping on the Co's Steamers for Singapore for Batavia, at Colombo for Calcutta, Bombay and Australia, at Port Said for the Levant, Constantinople and Black Sea. Through Tickets to London, via Paris, from £27 10s. up to £71 10s. 20 hours Railway from Marseilles to London. Interpreters meet Passengers on their arrival in Marseilles.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS. (Subject to Alteration.)	Tons	LEAVE HONGKONG	ARRIVE VANCOUVER
"MONTEAGLE" ...	6,163	TUESDAY, 2nd March	26th March
"EMPEROR OF INDIA" ...	6,000	SATURDAY, 13th March	2nd April
"EMPEROR OF JAPAN" ...	6,000	SATURDAY, 10th April	30th April
"EMPEROR OF CHINA" ...	6,000	SATURDAY, 1st May	22nd May
"MONTEAGLE" ...	6,163	TUESDAY, 11th May	4th June
"EMPEROR OF CHINA" ...	6,000	SATURDAY, 22nd May	12th June

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"DELTA," Captain B. W. H. Snow, carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for Bombay, &c., on SATURDAY, the 6th March, at Noon, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's s.s. "CHINA," 8,000 tons, from Colombo, passengers accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London, other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed from Bombay by the R.M.S. "ARABIA" due in London on the 16th April, 1909.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

For further particulars, apply to E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 22nd February, 1909. [1]

DAMPFSSCHIFFS-RHEDEDERI "UNION" ACTIEN-GESELLSCHAFT.

FOR NEW YORK.

(With Liberty to Call at Malabar Coast).

THE Steamship

"ALBENGA," Captain Lorenzen, will be despatched as above on the 18th March.

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Hongkong, 25th February, 1909. [377]

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Extreme Length ... 722 feet.
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Water on Blocks at Spring Tide ... 62 "
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NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.

THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS in CHINA and JAPAN for the above Line are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS OF LADING for all the principal ports in SOUTH AFRICA, in connection with INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION Co.'s fortnightly service hence to CALCUTTA. Sailings from CALCUTTA for CAPE PORTS every fortnight.

For Freight and further particulars, apply to DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, General Agents for China and Japan, Hongkong, 4th August, 1898. [9]

Cutler, Palmer & Co.'s



PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
SHANGHAI, CHINWANTAO, PALMA, MOJI, KORE and YOKOHAMA	Capt. G. W. Cockman, R.N.E.	About 3rd March	Freight only.
SHANGHAI	MACEDONIA	About 5th March	Freight and Passage.
LONDON VIA USUAL PORTS	DELTA	Noon, 6th March	See Special of Call.
LONDON and ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO PORT	NORE	About 10th March	Freight and Passage.
SAID and MARSEILLES	Capt. G. Phillips	March	

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E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.
Hongkong, 25th February, 1909.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD. SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
CEBU and ILOILO	"KAIFONG"	On 1st March Noon.
BAMARANG and SOURABAYA	"SHANTUNG"	On 1st March, 4 P.M.
MANILA	"TAMING"	On 2nd March, 3 P.M.
NEUCHANG	"NANCHANG"	On 2nd March, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"LINAN"	On 4th March, 4 P.M.
MANILA	"TEAN"	On 10th March, 3 P.M.
MANILA, ZAMBOANG, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOK TOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, with Transhipment for TASMANIA, NEW ZEALAND, ADELAIDE, FREMANTLE and PERTH	"CHANGSHA"	On 8th April, 4 P.M.

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For Freight or Passage apply to—
HONGKONG, 1st March, 1909.
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS 11

INDO-CHINA S. NAV. CO., LD.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MANILA	"YUENSANG"	Monday, 1st March, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KORE and MOJI	"CHEONGSHING"	Tuesday, 2nd March, Noon.
SHANGHAI	"KUEANG"	Tuesday, 2nd March, Noon.
SHANGHAI	"KWONGSANG"	Wednesday, 3rd March, 4 P.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"TINGSANG"	Thursday, 4th March, Noon.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"NAMSANG"	Saturday, 6th March, Noon.

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The Steamers "KUSANG," "NAMSANG" and "FOOKSANG" leave about every 3 weeks for Shanghai and Yokohama returning via Kobe (Inland Sea) and Moji to Hongkong, providing a stay of 6 days in Japan if passengers leave the steamer at Yokohama and rejoin at Kobe. These vessels have all modern improvements and are fitted throughout with Electric Light. A fully qualified surgeon is also carried.
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Hongkong, 1st March, 1909. GENERAL MANAGERS. [16]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO., LIMITED.

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STEAMERS	FOR	LEAVING
"HAITAN," Capt. J. S. Roach	SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	TUESDAY, 2nd March, at Noon.
"HAITYANG," Capt. A. E. Hodgins	SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	FRIDAY, 5th March, at Noon.

FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF PASSENGERS, STEAMERS WILL ARRIVE AT, AND DEPART FROM, THE COMPANY'S WHARF (NEAR BLAKE PIER).
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DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK & Co., GENERAL MANAGERS.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1909. [10]

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE BETWEEN HONGKONG SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS AND FORMOSA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	THE CO.'S S.S.	LEAVING
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	"CHOSHUN MARU"	TUESDAY, 2nd March, at Daylight.
ANPING VIA SWATOW & AMOY	"SHOSHU MARU"	WEDNESDAY, 3rd March, at 8 A.M.

* These new Steamers have excellent accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers and are fitted throughout with Electric Light. First-class Cabins Amidships. Unrivaled Table.
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Hongkong, 27th February, 1909. T. ARIMA, Manager [13]

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Regular Sailings from JAPAN, CHINA and PHILIPPINES, via STRAITS and COLOMBO, to HAVRE, BREMEN and HAMBURG and to NEW YORK.
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NEXT SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG: OUTWARD.

FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KORE:	FOR BREMEN & HAMBURG:
S.S. AMBRIA ... 10th March	S.S. ANDALUSIA ... 2nd March.
S.S. BRISGAVIA ... 20th March	S.S. CONSTANTIA ... 3rd March.
S.S. BELGRAVIA ... 31st March	S.S. WESTPHALIA ... 9th March.
S.S. SILESIA ... 12th April	FOR HAVRE & HAMBURG:
S.S. SUEVIA ... 18th April	S.S. SAKONIA ... 13th March.
S.S. SCANDIA ... 27th April	FOR ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG:
S.S. SENEGAMBIA ... 10th May	S.S. DORTMUND ... 22nd March.
S.S. SEGOVIA ... 17th May	FOR HAVRE & HAMBURG:
	S.S. JILYRIA ... 5th April.

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Hongkong, 25th February, 1909. Hongkong Office. 12

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STEAMSHIP	TONS	CAPTAIN	FOR	SAILING DATE.
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ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	Manila	On 13th Mar., Noon.

For Freight or Passage apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
GENERAL MANAGERS.
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EAST ASIATIC CO., LD. COPENHAGEN, SINGAPORE, BANGKOK & SHANGHAI. RUSSIAN EAST ASIATIC CO., LD., ST. PETERSBURG & VLADIVOSTOK. SWEDISH EAST ASIATIC CO., LD. GOTHENBURG.

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATION	STEAMERS	DATE OF SAILING.
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HONGKONG, 19th February, 1909. MELCHERS & CO., AGENTS. 6

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

EXTRA PASSENGER SERVICE NEW STEAMERS—EUROPEAN LINE.

FOR GENOA, MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, SUEZ AND PORT SAID.

THE CO.'S NEWLY BUILT 9000 TONS PASSENGER STEAMERS WILL BE DESPATCHED FROM HONGKONG AS FOLLOWS:

ATSUTA MARU	(Capt. W. THOMPSON)	About Wed. 7th April.
MIYASAKI MARU	(Capt. W. BAINBRIDGE)	About Wed. 5th May.
KITANO MARU	(Capt. —)	About Wed. 2nd June.
HIRANO MARU	(Capt. H. FRASER)	About Wed. 30th June.

CHEAPEST PASSAGE RATES TO EUROPE AND AROUND THE WORLD.

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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1909. [93]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA. (THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.)

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATIONS.	STEAMERS.	TONS.	SAILING DATES.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, and PORT SAID	AWA MARU—Capt. A. Keith	6303	WEDNESDAY, 3rd March, at Daylight.
VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE, via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KORE, YOKOHAMA, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	TAMBA MARU—Capt. C. H. Butler	6134	WEDNESDAY, 17th March, at Daylight.
ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	KAGA MARU—Capt. M. Hagino	6301	TUESDAY, 2nd March, at Noon.
SHANGHAI, MOJI and KORE	TOSA MARU—Capt. T. Harrison	5927	TUESDAY, 16th March, at Noon.
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO	NIKKO MARU—Capt. M. Yagi	5339	FRIDAY, 19th March, at Noon.
Kobe and YOKOHAMA	KUMANO MARU—Capt. N. Mathieson	5076	FRIDAY, 16th April, at Noon.
NAGASAKI, KORE and YOKOHAMA	CEYLON MARU—Capt. Fred Pyne	5068	TUESDAY, 2nd March, at Daylight.
	KAMAKURA MARU—Capt. Wm. Wade	3265	THURSDAY, 4th March, at Daylight.
	KUMANO MARU—Capt. N. Mathieson	6126	SATURDAY, 6th March, at Daylight.
		5076	WEDNESDAY, 17th March, at Noon.

* Omitting Yokkaichi.
† Fitted with Marconi's System of Wireless Telegraphy.
‡ Through Passengers Tickets issued to the Principal Cities in the United States, Canada and Europe, in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY and Atlantic Steamers. Round-the-World Tickets also issued. Between Nagasaki and Yokohama, 1st and 2nd Class through Passengers have the option of travelling by Rail.
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Hongkong, 24th February, 1909.

T. KUSUMOTO, MANAGER. [15]

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN

REGULAR THREE-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN JAVA, CHINA AND JAPAN.

STEAMER	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE FOR	ON OR ABOUT
TJILIWONG	JAVA	First half of March	JAPAN	First half of March
TJIBODAS	JAPAN	First half of March	JAPAN	Second half of March
TJIMAH	JAVA	First half of March	AMOY	Second half of March
TJILATJAP	JAVA	Second half of March	SHANGHAI	Second half of March
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